REMARKS

The Applicant appreciates the time and consideration that the Examiner has provided in reviewing this Application. The Applicant also appreciates the courtesies extended by the Examiner during the telephonic interview conducted on May 7, 2004. By the foregoing amendment, the Applicant has amended claims 1, 9, 10, 17 and 20 and canceled claims 2, 3, 11, 12 and 24-26.

In the Office Action dated November 18, 2004, the Examiner rejected claims 1-26 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by DeLorme et al. (US 6,321,158). The Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections.

A claim is anticipated under § 102(e) only if each and every element as set forth in a claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference. MPEP § 2131. As discussed during the telephonic interview, the claims, as currently amended, detail that the organizer communicates with the navigation system in order to allow the organizer to consider actual route data within a preexisting timetable in the organizer and for the navigation system to consider actual timetable data from the organizer in route planning actions. This bidirectional communication of system-operational data is not disclosed, taught or suggested, either expressly or inherently in DeLorme. Accordingly, for at least these reasons, the Applicant respectfully submits that the claims, as currently amended, are in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, and in view of the remarks set forth above, Applicant respectfully submits that the application and the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests favorable consideration and the timely allowance of all pending claims. By the above amendments, Applicant submits that no new matter has been added to the application. If, for any

reason, the application and claims are not in condition for allowance, or any additional information is required, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (312) 701-8738. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 13-0019. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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